

**REMARKS**

By this amendment, claims 1 and 3-12 are pending, in which claims 2 and 13 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, no claims are withdrawn from consideration, claims 1 and 11 are currently amended, and no claims are newly presented. No new matter is introduced.

The Final Office Action mailed August 25, 2009 rejected claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by *Sandahl et al.* (US 5,689,808) and claim 11 as obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103 based on *Sandahl et al.* (US 5,689,808) in view of *Mitchell Ilberry* (US 2002/0122210).

Claims 3-10 and 12 were indicated as allowable and claims 2 and 13 were objected to as depending from rejected parent claims but indicated as allowable if placed in independent form.

Dependent claims 2 and 13 have now been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and their features have been incorporated into independent claims 1 and 11, respectively.

Therefore, the present application, as amended, overcomes the rejections of record and is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested. If any unresolved issues remain, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned attorney at (703) 519-9952 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 504213 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully Submitted,

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